

## LEAGUE MAGNATES FAIL TO AGREE

In Conference Ten Hours, and  
Norfolk Situation Remains  
Unchanged.

### MAY DECIDE ON EIGHT CLUBS

Another Meeting Will Be Held  
To-Day in Hopes of Coming  
to Terms.

BY GUS MALBERT.  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Norfolk, Va., December 29.—The  
Norfolk baseball club, and the  
other clubs of the Norfolk base-  
ball league, representing the  
Richmond baseball club, and the  
other clubs of the Norfolk base-  
ball league, met this morning  
in the Norfolk situation.

Folks, there was nothing doing.  
There is no need to mince matters.  
Norfolk is as far from becoming a  
part of the Virginia League under  
present conditions, as it ever was before  
the great conference of December 29  
was called.

A number of suggestions were  
offered, but aside from holding two ses-  
sions, one beginning at 1 o'clock, and  
the other at 8 o'clock, and holding  
an intermission for dinner, or supper,  
depending entirely upon the condition  
of the minds of those present, and  
talking a great deal, nothing was done.

It was the most rapid, inconse-  
quential meeting that has ever been  
held. Another meeting was scheduled  
for to-morrow, which will be held  
when this is read at 11 o'clock. But  
unless there is a different spirit mani-  
fested from that manifested at the  
previous meeting, the reply will be the  
same—"Nothing doing."

**Consolve Makes Suggestions.**  
The day began with the Charles  
Consolve, representing the Norfolk in-  
terests, appeared before the assembled  
clubs, and offered one or two sug-  
gestions for a relief of the situation.

First, he wanted an eight-club circuit,  
adding Newport News and Portsmouth  
to the league. Second, he wanted  
the eight-club circuit, he wanted a  
guarantee from each of the clubs of  
\$250 for a series of three games. In  
addition, he wanted an equitable  
rule, which, according to his interpreta-  
tion of the word equitable, would mean  
that the club which had the most  
money should be the one to play in  
Richmond.

It appeared at one time as if the  
league proposition would prevail.  
Indeed, it is not certain even now that  
it will not ultimately prevail. But the  
\$250 guarantee is an impossibility, as  
Consolve pointed out. He said that  
Bradley will agree to any such propo-  
sition, holding that it is an imposition  
in smaller towns.

But behind the whole  
situation seems to be that Norfolk  
feels that Richmond is getting the best  
of the league. In addition to the  
fact that Norfolk is just as good as  
Richmond, and will draw as much  
money. He points out in the meeting  
that in time games played in 1910 Nor-  
folk drew more money on Saturdays  
than Richmond.

**Representative \$20,000 Investment.**  
Additional Consolve stated that the  
interests of the Norfolk Baseball Club  
represented an investment of nearly  
\$20,000. Of this sum \$10,000 is said  
to have been lost during the past two  
seasons. Naturally, there are some  
who differ from this statement of the  
case. Among them are the owners of  
Richmond and Norfolk. But that isn't  
all. Consolve says that without  
Portsmouth in the league, he will  
consider no proposition to come back  
into the fold.

It looks to an observant writer, af-  
ter witnessing and hearing the vari-  
ous arguments, that the league is  
interested, that the Virginia League  
is either doomed to shipwreck, or else  
it is coming back into the fold  
under just as many conditions as  
existed last year. Neither Bradley nor  
Williams are inclined to agree to what  
Consolve has proposed. He is up in the  
air. There may be a settlement to-  
morrow, but in view of what happened  
last night, it is hard to see how it  
can be reached.

Consolve is still holding to his ship,  
regardless of its leaky condition, and  
truth to tell, there appears to be no  
likelihood that many will come forward  
to help save the craft from the shoals  
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and Mrs. Allen Potts on Wednesday,  
when the Christmas hunt of Castle  
Hill hounds took place. A large  
field met the master at the kennels  
at 2:45 o'clock. From there the  
riders rode to "Logan," the estate of  
James H. Wood. The hounds, quickly  
into their run across the farm, leav-  
ing the field over several acres, and  
as many stiff fences, on to James  
Downer's place to the first check. They  
were again thrown in on Mr. Downer's  
farm, where some high fences were  
quintured. They then crossed Mr.  
Walsh's farm, on to Windsor, to the  
second check.

The hounds were cast for the last  
run at "Maple Spring," running from  
there to "Lower Springfield." The  
course then turned and led through  
"Springfield" to "Maple Spring,"  
finishing at "Happy Creek." The race  
was very fast, considering the heavy  
going and the working of the hounds  
was unusually good.

The pink coats of the riders made  
a bright color against the snow-  
covered fields, and the green pine  
woods, and the picture resembled an  
old sporting print.

Those who rode were Mrs. Allen  
Potts, M. F. H. on Willow King; Joe  
Laird, first whip, on Rocklands; Sandy,  
second whip, on Essex; Allen Potts,  
of Richmond; Prince Royal; Mr. Fel-  
lowes, on Dr. O'Brien; and Mr. K.  
Beach; Lawrence, on Bonnie Belle; W.  
W. Osborne, on Border Land; Herndon  
Coward, on Castaway; Mr. Ewing,  
of Philadelphia, on Pretty Maid; Mr.  
Brook, of Philadelphia, on Blackbird;  
Mr. Miller, on Lady Anne; G. T. Cow-  
ler, on Black Boy; J. J. Graves, on  
Pill; Miss Martha Graves, on Black  
Becky; Steven Harris, on Jack, and  
Mr. Hamm, owner of a splendid private  
pack near Barboursville.

Those who watched the hunt from  
carriages were Mr. and Mrs. Robert  
Crawford and Mrs. Fellows; K.  
Beach; Mrs. W. W. Osborne, J. F. W.  
Ruffin, Mrs. Fleming Briscoe, Mr. and  
Mrs. W. C. Baker, Mrs. George Mun-  
day, Jr., of Barboursville, George Mun-  
day, of Barboursville; Mrs. G. L.  
Coward, Charles Camper, of Ocala, Fla.;  
Miss Susie Holiday, of Spotsylvania;  
Miss Addie Coward, Captain P. P. Bar-  
bour, Ben McElroy.

Other guests at the breakfast were  
Mr. and Mrs. A. Linney, Miss Jen-  
nie Barbour, Mrs. Sam W. McEl-  
roy, Miss McElroy, of Barboursville;  
of Pittsburgh; Mrs. M. D. Coward, M.  
D. Coward, Jr., Mrs. Bessie Lee Mor-  
ris, Mrs. J. F. W. Ruffin, Mrs. Virginia  
Morris, and Dr. Henry Yenger, of  
Somerset; Captain Barbour, Mr. and  
Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Sanford, the Misses  
Sanford.

**YANCEY COACH  
VIRGINIA ELEVEN**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Charlottesville, Va., December 29.—  
Charles Yancey, of the University of  
Kemper Winsborough Yancey, of Har-  
risonburg, has been elected coach of  
the Virginia football team for next  
year. Action was taken at a meeting  
of the advisory board of the General  
Athletic Association of the university,  
and the choice gives very general  
satisfaction.

Yancey played three years on the  
Virginia team, having made the varsity  
as a freshman year. In the fall of  
1909 he was elected captain of the  
Orange and Blue team. He was  
W. Honaker, of Plano, Tex., who failed  
to return to college at the opening  
of that season because of an operation  
for appendicitis. Under his leadership  
the team developed into one of the  
most formidable in the South. Yancey  
represented the University of Virginia  
on the gridiron. Victories were scored  
over the Navy and Georgetown, the  
season coming to a sudden end on  
Saturday, December 25, when Yancey  
received an injury which ended his  
career. The Blue and Orange team  
was defeated by the one-sided score  
of 21 to 0. The backfield trio that  
year was especially strong, consisting  
of Captain Yancey, half back, Stan-  
ton and Christian, half back. At the  
close of the football season Yancey  
was picked by several sporting writ-  
ers as captain of the All-South At-  
lantic football team. He was one of  
the greatest line plungers ever at the  
university.

During the past fall Yancey coached  
the football team of Hampden-Sidney  
College, and turned out a team which  
represented the college very creditably.  
Yancey, president of the Inter-  
collegiate Athletic Association, will pre-  
sented the Rancho-Macon College  
eleven a close race for the champion-  
ship of the Eastern division of the  
State.

Yancey coming to the University of  
Virginia, Yancey played football at  
Randolph-Macon College, Ashland,  
where he gained the nickname of  
"Broncho" because of his speed and  
strength in the backfield. He is at  
present a student in the law school,  
and should receive his law degree at  
the commencement next June. He is  
prominent in fraternity life, being